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1. AMENDMENT - in response to Office Action of May 5, 2004, along with certified translation of German Patent No. 200 00 079 UI.
2. PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME (in duplicate), along with authorization to charge **Deposit Account No. 501874** in the amount of \$490.00 to cover the Small Entity extension fee.
3. LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSPERSON, along with three (3) sheets of replacement formal drawings (Figs. 1-8).

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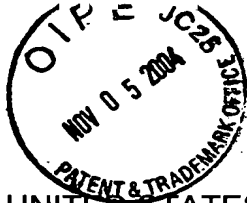
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Enclosed are three (3) sheets of new formal drawings (FIGS. 1-8) for the patent application noted above. Approval of the formal drawings is respectfully requested.

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54 Lid with Integral Spoon to Be Pressed out

57 A lid with an integral spoon to be pressed out that can be used, for example, as a lid of yogurt cups or the like in accordance with Fig. 1 and Fig. 5,

- and the lid with integral spoon to be pressed out in accordance with Fig. 1 is manufactured in one piece, for example, by casting in a mold,

- whereby the spoon is in two parts, that is, the spoon consists of a mouthpiece with plug-in device (1) and of a grip with plug-in device (2),

- the mouthpiece with plug-in device (1) is inserted as shown in Fig. 2 onto the grip with plug-in device so that the spoon is stable.

Lid with Integral Spoon to Be Pressed out

Lids of yogurt cups or the like, for example, are usually only intended as reinforcement for the cup and protect them from outside influences. They otherwise remain unused, whereby they could contain an integral spoon (Fig. 1). This would be helpful especially at gas stations, snack bars, rest stops, etc., where often the spoons are missing. Especially in Europe where in recent years health consciousness has increased, healthy nutrition should not fail because of the lack of a spoon.

The invention indicated in claim 1 is based upon the object of incorporating a spoon into a cup or alid.

This problem is solved with the features presented in patent claim 1. In order for the two-part spoon to be also stable enough for use, the spoon is provided with stabilizing bars on the reverse side (Fig. 3).

With the invention, it is ensured that a cup is always available with spoon and yogurt, pudding etc. can be eaten when desired.

An advantageous configuration of the invention is indicated in claim 2.

The configuration according to claim 2, i.e. of gluing a special label (3) (Fig. 5) on the lid with integral spoon (Fig. 1), protects the spoon from frequent touching of the cup (hygienic aspect).

An embodiment is explained on the basis of Fig. 1 to 5, wherein:

- Fig. 1 Illustrates the lid with integral spoon to be pressed out;
- Fig. 2 Illustrates the plug-in process of the mouthpiece (1) and the grip (2);
- Fig. 3 Illustrates the assembled spoon with stabilizing struts on the reverse
- Fig. 4 Illustrates the assembled spoon from the front
- Fig. 5 Illustrates how the lid (Fig. 1) and the label are pressed on the cup.

The lid with mouthpiece (1) and grip (2) are represented in the Figures. The lid with label (3) is pressed on the cup (4) and consequently represents the ready cup with the new invention.

The lid with spoon to be pressed out in accordance with Fig. 1 is manufactured in one piece, for example, by means of casting into a mold (material: plastic or the like).

The lid (Fig. 1) is removed prior to consuming the content of the cup, the mouthpiece (1) and the grip (2)

are pressed out from above on the label (3) or lid in accordance with Fig. 1 and assembled according to Fig. 2

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Fig. 3 and 4 illustrate the assembled spoon with its stabilizing struts on the reverse.

Fig. 5 illustrates how label and lid are joined with the cup.

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1. A lid with integral spoon to be pressed out, that, for example can be used as a lid of yogurt cups or the like,
in accordance with Fig. 1 and Fig. 5
 - and the lid with integral spoon to be pressed out in accordance with Fig. 1 is manufactured in one piece,
for example, by casting in a mold,
 - whereby the spoon is in two parts, that is, the spoon consists of a mouthpiece with plug-in device (1) and
of a grip with plug-in device (2),
 - the mouthpiece with plug-in device (1) is inserted as shown in Fig. 2 onto the grip with plug-in device so
that the spoon is stable.
1. Lid with integral spoon to be pressed out according to claim 1,
 - so that the spoon is also hygienically protected against frequent handling, the lid in accordance with Fig. 1
is protected with a special label (3, transparent) that has the same diameter as the lid in accordance with
Fig. 5.

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